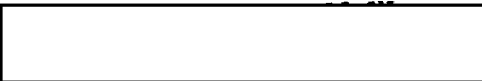


29 April 1968

Mr. Robert S. McNamara



Dear Mr. McNamara:

I have been meaning to write this note for some time (in fact, ever since your then impending departure from the Defense Department was first announced) but thought it might be better to wait until things had generally settled down before doing so.

I simply want to tell you as one junior colleague how much I admired the personal and professional qualities you always brought to bear on the discharge of your heavy responsibilities and as a citizen, more knowledgeable than most through the privilege of official insight, how grateful I am for the many services you so unstintingly rendered to our country. I hope you will not consider it presumptuous for me to say now what it would have been improper for me to say earlier, namely that I took both pride and pleasure in our direct association and viewed our relationship as a high point in my official career to date.

I hope your vacation at Aspen proved in every regard the delightful break you so richly deserved and wish you every success in your new responsibilities.

Sincerely yours,

George A. Carver, Jr.

